

transmission and distribution system at various voltage levels have been delayed inter-alia due to the time taken in completing the prescribed administrative and financial formalities, resolving the technical and commercial aspects, 'right of way' problems etc. Most of the projects are now progressing satisfactorily.

[Translation]

**Training to People of Rural Areas for Development of Food Processing Industries**

3108. SHRI DAU DAYAL JOSHI: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government provide assistance to co-operative societies and public sector undertakings in order to impart training to the people of rural areas for the development of food processing industries;

(b) if so, the names of organisations which were provided assistance during the last three years alongwith the amount of assistance;

(c) if no such assistance is provided, the

reason therefor; and

(d) whether in view of large scale cultivation of orange in Jhalawar district of Rajasthan, the Government propose to set up an orange juice processing units there or propose to provide assistance to cooperative units?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRIGIRIDHAR GOMANGO): (a) and (b). The assistance provided by this Ministry under the Plan Schemes for imparting training in the last two years is given in the attached Statement.

(c) Does not arise.

(d) Ministry of Food Processing Industries does not have any proposal to set up food processing industries directly in any State. However, this Ministry has formulated Plan Schemes under which assistance is provided to the State Governments, Co-operative Societies, Public Sector Undertakings etc. for development of food processing industries. No proposal from State Government of Rajasthan has been received for seeking assistance to set up fruit based industries in Jhalawar district.

**STATEMENT**

**ANNEXURE**

<i>Sl. No.</i>	<i>Name of Organisation</i>	<i>Year of sanction</i>	<i>Amount (in Rs.)</i>
1.	Central Food Technological Research Institute, Mysore.	1990-91	59,000
2.	Indian Veterinary Research Institute, Izatnagar	1990-91	85,570
3.	-do-	1990-91	26,000
4.	Central Food Technological Research Institute, Mysore	1990-91	85,570

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5.	Central Food Technological Research Institute, Mysore	1991-92	76,500
6.	Andhra Pradesh State Meat & Poultry Development Corporation, Hyderabad.	1991-92	75,000
7.	Institute of Poultry Management of India Urli Kanchan, Pune	1991-92	90,000
8.	Assam Agricultural University Guwahati-3	1991-92	63,000
9.	Assam Livestock & Poultry Development Corporation, Chenikutti, Guwahati-3	1991-92	74,790
10.	Govt. of UP for setting up Food Processign Trainign Centres and upgradation of Community Training Centres	1990-91	13,20,000
11.	Govt. of UP for trainign and visit programmes.	1990-91	2,00,000

[English]

**Potential of Wind Energy and Solar Energy**

3109. SHRI GANGADHARA SANIPALLI: Will the Minister of POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government have conducted any survey to assess the potential of non-conventional energy sources particularly wind energy and solar energy;

(b) if so, the details thereof; and

(c) if so, the specific steps taken to harness the non-conventional energy sources?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF POWER AND NON-CONVENTIONAL ENERGY SOURCES (SHRI KALP NATH RAI): (a) and (b). No specific survey has been conducted to assess the potential of solar energy in the country. Based on solar radiation data already available India receives over 5x 10<sup>15</sup> KWhr of solar energy per year. With this level of availability of solar energy it appears that solar thermal and solar photovoltaic systems can be used in almost all parts of the